

The Virginia Medicaid program began covering school-based health services on October 1, 1991, when the Department of Education (DOE) and the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) entered into an agreement that permitted school divisions to bill DMAS for services to children in special education. The initial agreement addressed occupational, physical, and speech therapy services the school divisions provide to Medicaid enrolled children with special education needs. To begin billing, school divisions which have qualified providers such as physical therapists enroll with DMAS. DMAS reimburses the school division only the federal share of the payment for the services provided to the special education students. Provider training is offered annually to newly enrolled school divisions and to those divisions interested in coverage updates. School-based services are covered for children enrolled under Medicaid and the Family Access to Medical Insurance Security Plan (FAMIS).

The Interagency Agreement between the Department of Education and DMAS was revised in December 2000. The Agreement includes a description of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the development of DMAS coverage of school-based services, and a description of the responsibilities of both state offices.

Since the start of DMAS coverage in 1991, school-based services coverage has expanded as follows:

- Coverage of school-based health centers was added in 1993. Coverage is currently limited to health screenings. DMAS reimburses both the federal and state shares for these services.
- Coverage of skilled nursing services for children with special needs was added on July 1, 1997, at the direction of the 1997 General Assembly.
- The 1999 General Assembly passed legislation that expanded DMAS coverage of services for special education children. Psychological/psychiatric services were added and the types of psychologists and speech-language pathologists recognized by DMAS were enlarged. This coverage was effective January 2000 for one year under emergency regulations. DMAS developed a permanent regulation package to be effective upon the expiration of the emergency package.
- DMAS has also covered since 1993 school-based services for the general Medicaid population. These services are offered by school-based health centers from funds previously made available by the General Assembly. Medicaid coverage is currently limited to health screenings. School divisions can also enroll as DMAS transportation providers since 1993.
- The 2002 Virginia General Assembly passed a bill directing DMAS to cover transportation for Medicaid children in special education. For the period July 2002- June 2003, these services were covered under the general DMAS transportation administrative claiming coverage. The school-based transportation was included as an amendment to the Medicaid state plan and submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for approval in September 2003.
- The 2002 Virginia General Assembly directed DMAS to maximize federal reimbursement for services. Numerous public organizations were noted for DMAS to work with including school divisions. DMAS has initiated the regulatory process to add services to the coverage for children in special education which will increase reimbursement to school divisions. DMAS has also added administrative claiming as described above. The 2003 Virginia General Assembly directed that DMAS reimburse school divisions 50 percent of the federal funds for administrative claiming.

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- Beginning January 2003, DMAS initiated administrative claiming to provide reimbursement to school divisions engaged in activities which are supportive of the Medicaid program. These activities include informing Medicaid eligible persons about the Medicaid program, assistance with the eligibility determination process, and referring families to needed services. School divisions spend significant resources (including direct, indirect and capital costs) on these activities and administrative claiming allows school divisions to receive some reimbursement for these. The activities are not billed to DMAS for each child served but staff and other costs are captured through "time" studies. Those activities supportive of the Medicaid program are then reimbursed on a quarterly basis. DMAS reimburses only the federal matching share for these services, with the school division certifying the matching share.
- DMAS submitted a state plan amendment (03-05) for additional services in September 2003 to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for approval. The services are audiology, school social worker as a provider of psychology/psychiatry services, school health assistant, medical evaluation, and transportation. The effective date of these services would be July 1, 2003. CMS has not yet approved the amendment.
- DMAS is implementing cost-based reimbursement effective July 1, 2006.

DMAS reimbursement by school division is shown on the following page.

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Expenditures By Virginia School Locality

Counties	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Accomack	19,971	25,848	13,090	18,481	31,414	8,093	6,388	16,408
Albemarle	0	0	0	0	0	805	56	21,217
Alleghany	7,652	2,442	0	0	0	3,555	40,884	19,930
Amelia	0	0	0	0	0	0	805	0
Amherst	0	0	0	0	0	527	167	444
Appomattox	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,083	477
Arlington	0	2,925	1,493	2,610	19,095	40,468	10,972	2,795
Augusta	0	0	0	0	23,590	15,959	7,415	8,197
Bedford	0	0	9,704	60,643	126,168	71,940	75,852	78,084
Bland	667	17,015	0	0	0	(14)	0	4,690
Botetourt	426	0	0	0	0	(7)	0	7,134
Brunswick	0	0	0	5,069	11,656	0	0	751
Buchanan	256	48	21	0	0	(102)	750	74,604
Buckingham	0	0	0	47,697	39,328	7,768	20,250	3,235
Campbell	0	0	405	0	0	1,326	46,582	122,728
Caroline	0	7	917	8,364	19,618	22,345	38,658	27,365
Carroll	19,839	21,477	18,941	27,799	53,423	67,349	43,432	121,231
Charlotte	0	18,535	13,695	15,593	14,135	1,210	634	2,452
Chesterfield	0	389	1,112	0	0	462	222	302
Clarke	0	0	5,671	32,716	39,612	26,629	14,204	12,425
Craig	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,788
Culpeper	0	556	2,837	101,247	81,306	54,927	65,875	43,940
Cumberland	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,166	1,164
Dickenson	19	1,487	4,062	24,742	25,225	(543)	8,634	10,797
Dinwiddie	0	723	1,668	0	0	0	0	0
Essex	0	352	1,778	0	10,161	53,032	54,959	45,702
Fairfax	0	2,294	61,778	136,275	204,999	181,336	296,121	323,598
Fauquier	0	1,890	0	0	0	833	0	0
Floyd	0	37	766	0	0	111	31,877	48,568
Fluvanna	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,447
Franklin	0	0	259	0	0	(7)	472	242,632
Frederick	0	36,958	47,547	96,472	88,167	74,626	18,345	3,586
Giles	0	2,084	0	0	0	(14)	0	23,260
Gloucester	0	0	0	0	131,928	177,024	175,327	165,997
Goochland	945	0	0	0	0	(3)	0	0
Grayson	0	0	14,884	69,034	84,475	52,147	80,742	48,761
Greene	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,435
Greensville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	889
Hanover	6,092	5,724	852	1,695	417	5,749	6,754	1,492
Henrico	21,238	11,295	1,908	0	0	145	2,419	3,271
Henry	0	0	78	334	38,574	37,580	39,940	410,278
Highland	0	0	0	0	0	1,446	334	0
Isle of Wright	0	0	0	0	0	(7)	0	369

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Counties	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
James City	0	0	0	0	0	24,795	1,445	17,186
King and Queen	0	0	12,952	0	0	0	472	0
King George	38,971	39,686	19,828	41,547	2,609	(833)	0	0
King William	0	0	0	0	0	2,316	584	4,738
Lee	659	293	489	0	0	(26)	540	75,043
Loudoun	0	444	0	0	0	0	667	500
Louisa	0	0	0	0	0	(15)	(50)	0
Madison	0	32,830	38,285	19,067	0	0	(45)	319
Mathews	0	945	167	20,151	35,127	19,433	27,211	18,275
Mecklenburg	0	0	0	4,562	12,766	(11)	0	0
Montgomery	0	0	778	541	2,744	17,890	19,958	7,078
Nelson	0	0	(37)	0	0	(15)	28	160
New Kent	0	0	0	0	0	1,081	306	0
Northampton	2,305	1,046	315	0	0	0	8,223	17,741
Northumberland	0	0	0	0	0	(18)	0	0
Nottoway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,666
Orange	0	0	0	0	0	0	24,943	30,803
Patrick	0	0	0	0	0	(23)	28,356	295,806
Pittsylvania	280	1,332	408	0	0	565	305	479
Powhatan	0	0	0	40,166	42,352	51,418	38,356	15,670
Prince Edward	0	0	0	0	0	(7)	0	0
Prince George	0	0	1	0	0	1,585	2,419	1,334
Prince William	0	309,482	199,212	285,036	182,628	147,599	189,630	218,576
Pulaski	0	0	0	0	0	5,973	4,131	213,176
Richmond County	0	0	0	0	0	(42)	0	9,061
Roanoke County	0	0	0	0	0	366	2,724	45,681
Rockingham	0	0	0	0	0	465	0	0
Russel	93	302	202	0	867	302	4,273	54,074
Scott	10,152	14,168	8,759	0	0	0	882	216,680
Smyth	41,049	61,812	18,781	6,946	0	(7)	527	52,847
Southampton	0	0	500	0	16,328	52,586	66,352	75,793
Spotsylvania	0	1,634	2,711	0	0	4,615	19,751	4,167
Stafford	0	27,546	60,850	77,633	61,753	27,354	24,937	23,232
Surry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,364
Tazewell	22,259	13,925	4,837	25,456	36,443	(6,341)	39,170	144,339
Washington	11,380	34,651	19,520	47,783	29,654	32,025	20,559	159,258
Westmoreland	0	617	2,485	0	0	(1,413)	0	0
Wise	37,742	34,421	26,908	16,882	20,993	23,985	119,384	73,493
Wythe	0	604	966	0	0	163	(100)	91,064
York	0	185	56	0	0	522	126	160
Total Counties	241,995	728,009	622,438	1,234,541	1,487,555	1,312,982	1,738,383	3,789,206
Virginia School for the Deaf & Blind	0	0	0	10,619	1,418	0	743	36,448

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Cities	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Alexandria	0	83,221	108,412	174,747	163,050	101,746	92,685	47,726
Bedford	0	0	4,633	0	0	33,209	18,300	13,867
Bristol	0	111	0	1,582	39,636	4,947	11,379	81,323
Buena Vista	0	0	0	0	0	(83)	0	0
Charlottesville	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,249	18,036
Chesapeake	6,625	51	2,331	18,189	21,106	(8,953)	605	2,490
Clifton Forge	3,169	148	0	0	0	0	0	0
Covington	1,724	444	0	0	0	0	8,784	23,461
Danville	0	8	16	0	0	(60)	0	500
Fairfax	0	0	4,095	0	0	3,224	2,585	1,168
Franklin	0	1,334	0	45,803	83,329	55,151	48,757	43,753
Fredericksburg	0	9,067	9,987	0	0	(1,365)	0	538
Galax	130	19	174	0	0	1,316	1,041	1,618
Hampton	0	463	8,287	0	0	3,760	423	885
Hopewell	0	4,003	1,630	0	0	638	3,006	9,405
Lynchburg	0	8,883	73,351	66,948	45,061	39,366	43,575	19,530
Manassas	0	0	78	20,746	29,711	3,200	167	1,239
Manassas Park	0	1,055	0	0	0	4,287	4,587	695

Cities	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Martinsville	0	0	2,261	12,571	5,911	(3,998)	5,028	28,734
Newport News	24	37,744	148,764	153,619	139,319	56,179	34,683	26,018
Norfolk	870	23,134	11,522	47,778	104,476	125,272	111,551	116,524
Norton	944	848	1,545	0	0	561	2,310	7,006
Petersburg	0	0	0	0	69,842	78,347	88,105	38,357
Poquoson	0	3,058	2,241	18,847	28,083	25,010	23,445	40,901
Portsmouth	0	489	3,237	9,831	22,509	14,755	16,260	6,348
Radford	0	0	7	0	0	(7)	2,502	500
Richmond	15	86,916	74,814	8,743	43,715	(3,044)	12,113	15,131
Roanoke	24	0	1,501	0	0	4,693	80,961	520,545
Salem	0	0	0	0	0	0	417	500
Staunton	0	0	407	0	0	5,887	1,666	3,097
Suffolk	17,166	11,875	57,149	7,612	14,892	23	953	1,197
Virginia Beach	0	7	62	21,205	26,036	138,905	243,564	210,704
Waynesboro	0	0	0	0	0	744	0	2,681
Williamsburg	0	0	7	19,898	16,649	2,918	304	2,460
Winchester	0	0	2,148	0	0	5,421	417	0
Total Cities	30,691	272,878	518,659	628,119	853,325	692,049	862,422	1,286,937

Total Entire State	272,686	1,000,887	1,141,097	1,873,279	2,342,298	2,005,031	2,601,548	5,112,591
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Counties	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Accomack	24,407	69,615	42,355					
Albemarle	137,881	167,210	168,149					
Alleghany	28,235	49,047	102,534					
Amelia	-	-	80					
Amherst	667	1,339						
Appomattox	-	27,395	38,375					
Arlington	437	919	2,455					
Augusta	6,618	17,354	35,181					
Bath County			283					
Bedford	76,448	56,592	65,590					
Bland	14,583	32,889	35,438					
Botetourt	-	488	575					
Brunswick	-							
Buchanan	62,896	58,572	34,562					
Buckingham	6,870	4,468	2,926					
Campbell	71,368	88,515	108,815					
Caroline	11,127	2,565	5,826					
Carroll	105,988	95,289	135,258					
Charlotte	6,635	8,898	1,467					
Chesterfield	97	15						
Clarke	14,607	12,362						
Craig	8,938	973	827					
Culpeper	38,864	37,114	35,025					
Cumberland	560	4,953	7,096					
Dickenson	24,684	29,950	36,881					
Dinwiddie	-							
Essex	27,036	12,938						
Fairfax	144,066	243,435	142,235					
Fauquier	-							
Floyd	31,851	51,119	57,771					
Fluvanna	16,030	18,684	21,388					
Franklin	109,248	107,765	187,306					
Frederick	2,490	7,740	128					
Giles	14,285	30,113	57,884					
Gloucester	102,826	110,520	68,909					
Goochland	-		16					
Grayson	35,062	37,437	34,626					
Greene	27,496	52,432	51,258					
Halifax	177	65						
Hanover	-	1,058	1,246					
Henrico	4,873	12,794	9,637					
Henry	200,383	192,561	230,619					
Highland	-							
Isle of Wright	28,337	44,544	79,106					

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Counties	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
James City	18,183	16,978	25,925					
King and Queen	527	13,117	10,269					
King George County			400					
King William	5,420	7,887	3,865					
Lee	110,725	158,987	177,044					
Loudoun	906	4,840	7,734					
Louisa	21,772	25,522	45,261					
Madison	2,271	671	1,101					
Mathews	8,460	7,015	1,630					
Mecklenburg	812	3,122	4,465					
Middlesex		176	1,103					
Montgomery	18,767	16,463	53,723					
Nelson	3,122	8,756	11,514					
New Kent	647	81						
Northampton	6,906	1,666	50,426					
Northumberland	465	360						
Nottoway	1,091	2,419						
Orange	12,181	16,433	5,532					
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Patrick	96,697	97,979	43,935					
Pittsylvania	3,828	3,777	41,610					
Powhatan	1,001	357						
Prince Edward	1,295	3,363	2,851					
Prince George		143	64					
Prince William	102,501	189,677	185,302					
Pulaski	151,054	53,630	10,890					
Rappahannock	194							
Richmond County	3,560	673	319					
Roanoke County	57,079	86,995	90,001					
Rockingham County			10,896					
Rockbridge	64							
Russel	34,568	40,152	42,676					
Scott	96,098	113,861	164,516					
Shenandoah	90	(14)						
Smyth	40,454	83,786	78,714					
Southampton	42,420	22,373	92,565					
Spotsylvania	2,361	5,936	119,921					
Stafford	17,283	22,749	14,315					
Surry	970	4,149	6,070					
Sussex		51						
Tazewell	157,997	54,942	130,723					
Washington	121,171	149,969	169,292					
Westmorland		96	1,246					
Wise	110,766	114,801	141,832					
Wythe	111,110	128,378	145,719					
York	48	4,829	6,479					
Total Counties	2,750,969	3,157,345	3,701,755	-	-	-	-	-
Virginia School for the Deaf & Blind	23,050	-						

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Cities	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Alexandria	39,845	46,136	44,140					
Bedford	4,868	6,872	2,590					
Bristol	48,891	54,025	43,429					
Buena Vista	-							
Charlottesville	96,557	91,368	110,455					
Chesapeake	991	2,304	4,167					
Clifton Forge	-							
Covington	20,540	25,386	41,922					
Danville	941	40,403	63,470					
Emporia City			64					
Fairfax	337	1,374	224					
Franklin	16,667	25,915	80,043					
Fredericksburg	-	151						
Galax	722	917	1,373					
Hampton			9,249					
Harrisonburg City			415					
Hopewell	5,628	7,205	9,643					
Lynchburg	39,591	94,846	97,294					
Manassas	1,707	2,495	1,167					
Manassas Park	1,906	1,490	207					

Expenditures By Virginia School Locality

Cities	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Martinsville	14,533	20,755	10,568					
Newport News	15,157	39,548	62,494					
Norfolk	78,596	68,083	92,937					
Norton	6,263	5,093	723					
Petersburg	22,065	56,014	24,233					
Poquoson	4,570	31,646	33,502					
Portsmouth	1,653	5,204	25,928					
Radford	2,126	1,950	559					
Richmond	9,507	12,017	43,990					
Roanoke	41,588	48,358	28,406					
Salem	-	495						
Staunton	4,375	3,307	4,102					
Suffolk	1,362	2,825	3,394					
Virginia Beach	152,821	208,990	235,225					
Waynesboro	-	4,718	1,350					
Williamsburg	5,171	838	3,453					
Winchester	1,015	595						
Southwestern Training Center	1,015	244						
Total Cities	641,008	911,567	1,080,716					

Total Entire State	3,415,027	4,068,912	4,782,471	-	-	-	-	-
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Locality expenditure data obtained from Claims SAS Files

Note: Expenditures are based on state fiscal year, with the exception of Virginia School for the Deaf & Blind which is based on calendar year to date.

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